

## **k-Total Modulo Labeling Graphs**

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $G$  be a graph. Let  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1\}$  be a map where  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $k > 1$ . For each edge  $uv$ , assign the label  $(f(u) + f(v) + f(uv)) \bmod k$  where  $k > 1$ .  $f$  is called a  $k$ -total modulo labeling of  $G$  if  $|t_m(i) - t_m(j)| \leq 1$ ,  $i, j \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1\}$  where  $t_m(x)$  denotes the total number of vertices and the edges labeled with  $x$ . A graph with admits a  $k$ -total modulo labeling is called a  $k$ -total modulo graphs. We investigate  $k$ -total modulo labeling of some graphs and study the 3-total modulo labeling behaviour of star, bistar, complete bipartiate graph, comb, wheel, helm, armed crown etc.

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### **1. Introduction**

All graphs in this paper are finite, simple and undirected only. Cahit [1] introduced notion of cordial labeling of graphs. The concept of  $k$ -difference cordial graph was introduced in [4]. Recently Ponraj et al [4] has been introduced the concept of  $k$ -total difference cordial graphs. Motivated by this, we introduce  $k$ -total modulo labeling of graphs. Also we prove that every graph is a subgraph of a connected  $k$ -total modulo labeling graphs and investigate 3-total modulo labeling of several graphs like path, star, bistar, complete bipartite graph etc.

### **2. $k$ -TOTAL MODULO LABELING OF GRAPHS**

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $G$  be a graph. Let  $f : V(G) \rightarrow 0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1$  be a map where  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $k > 1$ . For each edge  $uv$ , assign the label  $(f(u) + f(v) + f(uv)) \bmod k$  where  $k > 1$ .  $f$  is called a  $k$ -total modulo labeling of  $G$  if  $|t_{ml}(i) - t_{ml}(j)| \leq 1$ ,  $i, j \in 0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1$  where  $t_{ml}(x)$  denotes the total number of vertices and the edges labeled with  $x$ . A graph with admits a  $k$ -total modulo labeling is called a  $k$ -total modulo graphs.

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3. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 3.1.** *Armed crown*  $AC_n$  is the graph obtained from the cycle  $C_n : u_1u_2 \dots u_nu_1$  with  $V(AC_n) = V(C_n) \cup \{v_i, w_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(AC_n) = E(C_n) \cup \{u_iv_i, v_iw_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

**Definition 3.2.** A *bipartite graph* is a graph whose vertex set  $V(G)$  can be partitioned into two subsets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  such that every edge of  $G$  joins a vertex of  $V_1$  with a vertex of  $V_2$ . If  $G$  contains every edge joining  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ , then  $G$  is a *complete bipartite graph*. If  $|V_1| = m$  and  $|V_2| = n$ , then the complete bipartite graph is denoted by  $K_{m,n}$ .

**Definition 3.3.**  $K_{1,n}$  is called a *star*.

**Definition 3.4.** The graph  $W_n = C_n + K_1$  is called a *wheel*. In a wheel, a vertex of degree 3 is called a *rim vertex*. A vertex which is adjacent to all the rim vertices is called the *central vertex*. The edges with one end incident with the rim and the other incident with the central vertex are called *spokes*.

**Definition 3.5.** The *helm*  $H_n$  is obtained from a wheel  $W_n$  by attaching a pendent edge at each vertex of the cycle  $C_n$ . A *closed helm* is the graph obtained from a helm by joining each pendent vertex to form a cycle.

**Definition 3.6.** The graph  $C_n \odot K_1$  is called a *crown*.

**Definition 3.7.** The *Lilly graph*  $I_n : n \geq 2$  is constructed by 2 stars  $2K_{1,n}, n \geq 2$ , joining 2 path graphs  $2P_n, n \geq 2$  with sharing of a common vertex. Let  $V(I_n) = \{u_i, v_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{x_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{y_i : 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\}$  and  $E(I_n) = \{x_nu_i, x_ny_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{x_ix_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\} \cup \{x_ny_1\} \cup \{y_iy_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n - 2\}$ .

4. MAIN RESULTS

**Remark.** 2- total modulo labeling graph is 2-total product cordial graph.

**Theorem 4.1.** The crown  $C_n \odot K_1$  is 3-total modulo labeling for all values of  $n$ .

*Proof.* Let  $C_n$  be the cycle  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_nu_1$ . Let  $V(C_n \odot K_1) = V(C_n) \cup v_i : 1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $E(C_n \odot K_1) = E(C_n) \cup u_iv_i : 1 \leq i \leq n$ .

**Case 1.**  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ .

Assign the label 1 to the cycle vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$ . Next we move to

the pendent vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\frac{2n}{3}}$ .

Next assign 1 to the remaining vertices  $v_{\frac{2n+3}{3}}, v_{\frac{2n+6}{3}}, \dots, v_n$ .

**Case 2.**  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ .

Assign the label 1 to the cycle vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$ . Next we move to the pendent vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\frac{4n-1}{3}}$ .

Next assign 1 to the remaining vertices  $v_{\frac{4n-4}{3}}, v_{\frac{4n-1}{3}}, \dots, v_n$ .

**Case 3.**  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ .

Assign the label 1 to the cycle vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$ . Next we move to the pendent vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\frac{2n-1}{3}}$ .

Next assign 1 to the remaining vertices  $v_{\frac{2n+2}{3}}, v_{\frac{2n+5}{3}}, \dots, v_n$ .

Values of n	$t_{ml}(0)$	$t_{ml}(1)$	$t_{ml}(2)$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$	$\frac{4n}{3}$	$\frac{4n}{3}$	$\frac{4n}{3}$
$n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$	$\frac{4n-1}{3}$	$\frac{4n-1}{3}$	$\frac{4n+2}{3}$
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$	$\frac{4n+1}{3}$	$\frac{4n+1}{3}$	$\frac{4n-2}{3}$

TABLE 1

□

**Theorem 4.2.** All Wheels are 3-total modulo labeling.

*Proof.* Let  $W_n = C_n + K_1$  where  $C_n$  is the cycle  $u_1u_2 \dots u_nu_1$  and  $V(K_1) = \{u\}$ . Assign the label 2 to the central vertex  $u$  and assign the label 1 to the all the rim vertices  $u_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$ . Clearly  $t_{ml}(0) = t_{ml}(1) = \frac{3n}{3}$  and  $t_{ml}(2) = \frac{3n+3}{3}$ . Hence  $W_n$  is 3-total modulo labeling.

□

**Theorem 4.3.** Helms  $H_n$  is 3-total modulo labeling.

*Proof.* Helm  $H_n$  is obtained from the wheel  $W_n = C_n + K_1$  where  $C_n$  is the cycle  $u_1u_2 \dots u_n$  and  $V(K_1) = \{u\}$  by attaching pendent edges to the rim vertices. Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be the pendent vertices adjacent to  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  respectively.

Fix the label 2 to the central vertex and 1 to the rim vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$

**Case 1.**  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ .

Assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\frac{n}{3}}$ . Next assign the label 1 to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+3}{3}}, v_{\frac{n+6}{3}}, \dots, v_n$ .

**Case 2.**  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ .

Assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\frac{n-1}{3}}$ . Next assign the label 1 to the remaining vertices  $v_{\frac{n+2}{3}}, v_{\frac{n+5}{3}}, \dots, v_n$ .

**Case 3.**  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ .

Assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\frac{n-1}{3}}$  and assign the label 1 to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+1}{3}}, v_{\frac{n+4}{3}}, \dots, v_n$ .

The table 2 given below shows that this labeling  $f$  is a 3-total modulo labeling of  $H_n$ .

Values of n	$t_{ml}(0)$	$t_{ml}(1)$	$t_{ml}(2)$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$	$\frac{5n}{3}$	$\frac{5n}{3}$	$\frac{5n+3}{3}$
$n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$	$\frac{5n+1}{3}$	$\frac{5n+1}{3}$	$\frac{5n+1}{3}$
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$	$\frac{5n+2}{3}$	$\frac{5n+2}{3}$	$\frac{5n-1}{3}$

TABLE 2

Example 4.1. A 3-total modulo labeling of  $H_n$  is shown in Figure 1

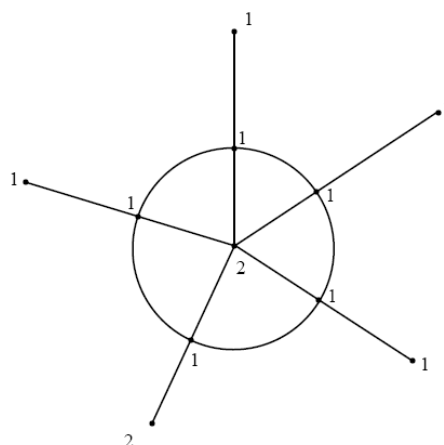


FIGURE 1

**Theorem 4.4.**  $AC_n$  is 3-Total modulo labeling for all  $n$

*Proof.* Clearly  $AC_n$  has  $3n$  vertices and  $3n$  edges. Fix the label 1 to all the cycle vertices  $u_1u_2 \dots u_n$ .

**Case 1.**  $n$  is odd.

Next assign the label 2 to the all the vertices with degree 2. That is assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  and  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ .

Now we assign the label 1 to all the pendent vertices  $v_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, v_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, \dots, v_n$  and  $w_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, w_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, \dots, w_{n-1}$ . The last vertex  $w_n$  receive the label 2 when  $n$  is odd.

**Case 2.**  $n$  is even.

Assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\frac{n}{2}}$  and  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Now we assign the label 1 to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, v_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, \dots, v_n$  and  $w_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, w_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, \dots, w_n$ .

The table 3 given below establish that this vertex labeling pattern is a 3 total modulo labeling.

Values of n	$t_{ml}(0)$	$t_{ml}(1)$	$t_{ml}(2)$
$n$ is odd	$\frac{6n}{3}$	$\frac{6n}{3}$	$\frac{6n}{3}$
$n$ is even	$\frac{6n}{3}$	$\frac{6n}{3}$	$\frac{6n}{3}$

TABLE 3

□

**Theorem 4.5.** The complete bipartite graph  $K_{2,n}$  is  $k$ -total modulo labeling.

*Proof.* Let  $V_1 = u, v$  and  $V_2 = u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  where  $V_1, V_2$  is the bipartition of  $K_{2,n}$ . We now give the vertex labeling. Assign the label 2 to the vertex  $u$ . Next assign the label 1 to the vertices  $v$  and  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$ . It is easy to verify that  $t_{ml}(0) = \frac{3n}{3}, t_{ml}(1) = t_{ml}(2) = \frac{3n+3}{3}$ . □

**Theorem 4.6.** Any star  $K_{1,n}$  is 3-Total modulo labeling except  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

*Proof.* Let  $V(K_{1,n}) = \{u, u_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(K_{1,n}) = \{uu_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . Clearly  $K_{1,n}$  has  $|V(K_{1,n}) + E(K_{1,n})| = 2n + 1$  vertices and edges.

**Case 1.**  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ .

Assign the label 1 to the vertex  $u$ . Then assign the label 2 to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{\frac{n}{3}}$ . We now assign the label 1 to the remaining vertices  $u_{\frac{n}{3}+3}, u_{\frac{n}{3}+6}, \dots, u_n$ .

**Case 2.**  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ .

Assign the label 1 to the vertex  $u$ . Then assign the label 2 to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{\frac{n+1}{3}}$ . Next assign the label 1 to the remaining vertices  $u_{\frac{n+4}{3}}, u_{\frac{n+7}{3}}, \dots, u_n$ .

The table 4 given below establish that this vertex labeling pattern is a 3 total modulo labeling.

Values of n	$t_{ml}(0)$	$t_{ml}(1)$	$t_{ml}(2)$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$	$\frac{2n}{3}$	$\frac{2n+3}{3}$	$\frac{2n}{3}$
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$	$\frac{2n-1}{3}$	$\frac{2n+2}{3}$	$\frac{2n+2}{3}$

TABLE 4

**Theorem 4.7.** *The Flower graph  $Fl_n$  is 3-total modulo labeling for all  $n$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $W_n = C_n + K_1$  where  $C_n$  is the cycle  $u_1u_2 \dots u_nu_1$  and  $V(K_1) = u$ . The Helm  $H_n$  is a graph with  $V(H_n) = V(W_n) \cup \{v_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(H_n) = E(W_n) \cup \{u_iv_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . The Flower  $Fl_n$  is obtained from  $H_n$  by joining  $v_i$  to  $u$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ). We now assign the labels to the vertices as follows. Assign label 2 to the vertices  $u$  and 1 to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$ . Next assign the label 1 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ . Clearly  $t_{ml}(0) = t_{ml}(1) = \frac{6n}{3}, t_{ml}(2) = \frac{6n+3}{3}$ .  $\square$

**Example 4.2.** *A 3-total modulo labeling of  $Fl_4$  is shown in Figure 2*

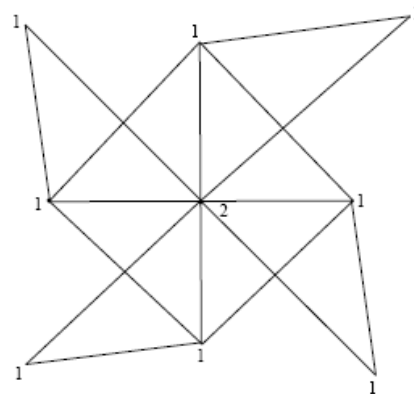


Figure 2

**Theorem 4.8.** *The Lilly graph  $I_n$  is 3-total modulo labeling except  $n \in 3, 6, \dots, 3t$*

*Proof. Case 1.*  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ .

Take the vertex set and edge set as in definition 3.7. Clearly  $|V(I_n)| + |E(I_n)| = 8n - 3$ . Assign the label 1 to the path vertices  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n-1}$ . Next we assign the label 2 to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  and assign the label 1 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ .

**Case 2.**  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ .

Assign the label 1 to the path vertices  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n-1}$ .

Next we assign the label 2 to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  and assign the label 1 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ .

Clearly  $t_{df}(0) = t_{df}(1) = t_{df}(2) = 2n - 1, t_{df}(3) = 2n$ . □

**Example 4.3.** A 3-total modulo labeling of  $I_5$  is shown in Figure 3

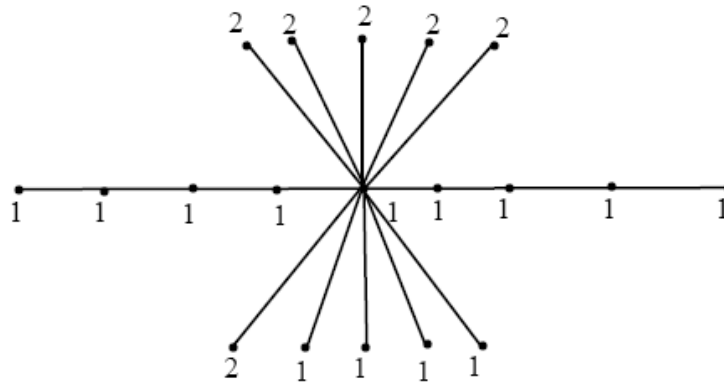


FIGURE 3

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